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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet includes new Fig. 22.

Attachment: New Sheet of Drawings

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to an objection under 37 C.F.R. 1.81 Applicants propose moving the drawing from page 12 of the Specification to new Fig. 22.

Applicants have added new paragraph [0055.1] to the Specification which discusses new Fig. 22. The proposed amendments are merely formal in nature, do not introduce new matter, and do not affect the scope of the claims.

It is believed that the above Remarks represent a complete response to the Objection and that the Application is now in condition for publication.

In the event Applicants have overlooked the need for an extension of time or payment of fee, Applicants hereby petition therefore and authorizes that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 50-2779, ZIMMER TECHNOLOGY, INC.

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If any questions regarding this Application should arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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